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HOPE IS KEPT ON CIA MOVE

McCarthy Says He Is Not
Surprised At Defeat

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Washington, July 15 — Senator McCarthy (D., Minn.), author of the CIA resolution which the Senate yesterday rejected, today said he still holds hope that before this session ends the Senate will work out a plan to give the Foreign Relations Committee a voice in the oversight of the Central Intelligence Agency.

He said he was not surprised that his proposal was defeated yesterday, but he thought that it might have gotten a few more votes had not some of the Senate leaders undertaken to round up votes for the opposition.

Downed 61 To 28

McCarthy said also that the advisory opinion which the chair—then occupied by Vice-President Humphrey—gave as to where the resolution should normally have gone probably lost a few votes.

The resolution, which McCarthy fathered, and Senator Fulbright (D., Ark.), chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, floor-managed, was sidetracked by a vote of 61 to 28.

Senator Russell (D., Ga.), who led the opposition to broadening

the committee which looks into CIA affairs to nine members—three from foreign relations — from the present informal group of six, insisted that the proposal should have gone to his Armed Services Committee for study and a hearing.

That is where the resolution went after the voting yesterday, and today McCarthy expressed hope that the armed services group might do something with it that would open the way for some recognition of the Foreign Relations Committee's wish to participate in supervision of CIA.

Senator McCarthy said that if his hope that the Armed Services Committee may agree on some form of compromise is defeated, then he plans to try to get a new resolution voted out of the Foreign Relations Committee.

Needs More Information

This would be a sense of the Senate resolution that the Foreign Relations Committee should be given more information from the CIA about its activities in foreign affairs policy-making than it is now getting.

The Minnesota Democrat questioned the argument made yesterday by Senator Russell that adding three members from the Foreign Relations Committee to the existing committee overseeing the CIA "would open the door to leaks."

He pointed out that there is nothing now to prevent the chairman of the Armed Services Com-

mittee and the appropriations chairman from adding any number of their members to the oversight group.

Moreover, he said, there is always the Budget Bureau, which has access to much CIA information, as well as the Pentagon.

As a matter of fact, said McCarthy, "most of the leaks of classified information come from people in military uniforms."

Senator Williams (D., N.J.) not a member of the Foreign Relations Committee, issued a statement saying that the Armed Services Committee should be given a reasonable time to act on a resolution.

"But if it gets late in the session and there is no indication that it is going to be brought out, we will attempt to use other parliamentary means to obtain a full Senate vote on the resolution" declared Williams.